



Body Worn Cameras

Cobourg Police Service

Mission

The body worn camera program provides value to our members, our partners, and the community, specifically with respect to:

- **Accuracy and quality of evidence**
- **Transparency**
- **Accountability**
- **Effectiveness of procedures and training**

All cameras will be deployed and active as of Friday, June 24, 2022.



Procedure

- Developed through consultation with other police services to ensure best practices.
- Provides operational direction that includes but is not limited to recording in private and public places, retention and security of videos, and the responsibilities of supervisors.



Access

- Officers can only review their recordings.
- Supervisors can review videos of their team members.
- Only the Digital Evidence Management Unit staff can edit or redact the body worn camera footage.



Release of footage

- **Public/media:** Body worn camera footage will only be released with the explicit authorization of the Chief of Police where a compelling public interest exists.
- **Individuals:** Under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), an individual can submit a Freedom of Information request to our Freedom of Information Coordinator.



Who will be wearing body worn cameras?

- In Cobourg, public-facing Special Constables and Uniform Officers will be equipped with body worn cameras.

Body worn cameras are OVERT

- Cobourg Police Service members will wear the body worn camera according to procedure.
- The camera is in plain view of the public.
- Covert or hidden video recording using the body worn camera is prohibited.



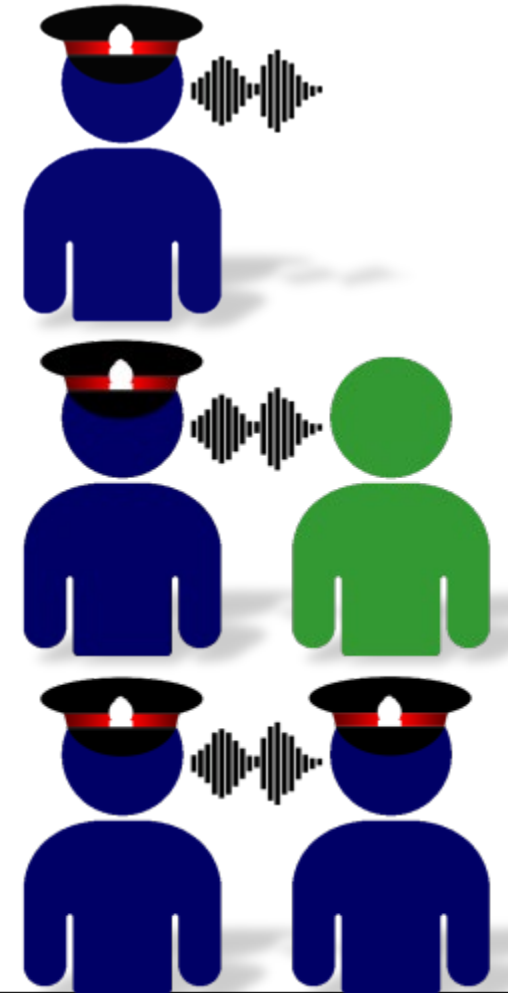
When are body worn cameras recording?

- Cameras will be activated when:
 - Arriving at a call,
 - When an interaction turns investigative in nature, or
 - When a person is questioned for the purpose of collecting their information



While Recording

- The camera has a red light indicating it has been activated and is recording.
- Police will notify the community member they are recording at the earliest opportunity.
- This notice may come at different times depending on the situation.
- The body worn camera is turned off when the call for service or investigation is complete.



When are body worn cameras NOT recording?

- Body worn cameras will not be used to carry out general surveillance.
- Body worn cameras will not be recording:
 - General patrol
 - Administrative tasks
 - At community events
 - Non-investigative functions



Public Places

- Officers will record for investigative or enforcement purposes in a public place.

Private Places

- Occupants in a private residence can ask an officer to not record, unless the officer is there in exigent circumstances or on the authority of a search warrant. In this case, the officer will continue to record.



Privacy

- Police officers are trained on how to manage situations that may be sensitive in nature, such as when children are present, during a sexual assault or domestic violence investigation, or when a person is in a state of undress.
- Body worn cameras will typically not be used in hospitals, places of worship, courtrooms, etc.



Where are videos stored?

- At the end of every shift members dock the cameras for charging encrypted audio and video files are uploaded to the cloud.
- Videos can only be deleted by authorized personnel in accordance with the retention schedule.
- A video that is part of an active investigation or court matter will not be deleted.





About the cameras

Axon Body 3 Overview

- 12+ hours of battery life
- 146°Diagonal field of view camera lens
- IP67 rating*
- US Military Standard MIL-STD-810G
- Drop Test 6 feet (Ambient), 4 feet (Cold)
- Operating Temperature -20 C to 50 C
- 30 frames per second
- 1080P/ 720P/ 480P Resolution
- Encryption AES-XTS 128-bit
- Embedded GPS
- LTE Connectivity
- Wi-Fi Positioning (WPS)
- Bluetooth Interconnectivity
- 4 Microphones
- LCD Display
- Cameras have a thirty second buffer loop
- There is no audio recorded in the thirty second buffer
- Two camera mounts: Patch Mount or Molle Mount



[Sample Video](#)



Thank you

Questions?

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